

Circulation Books Always Open.

PARKS FOR THE PEOPLE.

The small parks to be made in the lower portion of the city, like the opening of Stuyvesant Park in the evening, will be of great value to the people south of Fourteenth street. One of these breathing spots was completed and thrown open for public use in the Ninth Ward last week. It is called Jackson Park and is located at the junction of several streets at Eighth avenue and Greenwich avenue at West Thirteenth street. The park, which is a pleasant relief to the dry, hot streets, has been crowded every evening since its opening, mainly with women and children, and has already become a favorite resort.

The city has expended a great deal of money on Central Park and will increase the investment largely in the parks in the annexed territory. Of course they are all desirable public improvements, and residents from all parts of the city, who have time and money to enable them to reach these splendid pleasure grounds, enjoy them fully. But there are many thousands of working people who never get an opportunity to visit them, except perhaps once a week. To these less favored residents, the small downtown parks, where they can rest and enjoy comparatively cool breezes in the evenings, after the hot toil of the day, are priceless boons. Too many of such welcome spaces cannot be supplied in the crowded tenement-house districts, and their advocacy is one of the best features of Mr. Hewitt's administration.

The working people have been taxed for the upper parks, which they seldom enjoy. Now give them all the small parks they want downtown for their own use and for the health and safety of their children.

LET THE WORK GO ON.

Two objects are to be accomplished by the Aqueduct investigation now being made by the FASSETT Committee. The one is to secure such a complete reform in the Aqueduct management as will insure the more honest expenditure of the people's money and better work by contractors in the future than they have had in the past. The other is the exposure and if possible the prosecution and punishment of those who may have placed themselves within reach of the law by corrupt and dishonest practices in connection with a public work.

The change in the Commission, if followed by such removals of subordinates as may be shown by the evidence to be necessary, will protect the people against frauds in the future and properly guard the expenditure of the millions that are yet to be invested in the storage and distribution of the increased water supply. As to the misdeeds of the past, it seems likely that the customary exodus to Canada has already commenced in connection with Aqueduct affairs. The provisions of the law in regard to dishonest practices are stringent, and if any Aqueduct Commissioner or employee can be proved to have accepted undue favors from contractors, or to have allowed the city to incur loss or damage, either through carelessness, favoritism or venality, he can be punished both by fine and imprisonment.

DEATH OR MATRIMONY.

That highly decorous resort, Bar Harbor, has its sensation. About two weeks ago two families were thrown into grief by the supposed drowning of a young couple, Mr. J. H. REED, of Albany, and Miss ANNIE MILLIKEN, of New Orleans, who were enroute in the evening and never returned. It was supposed that their canoe had been run down by a steamer, especially as an overturned boat and a coat were found after the disappearance.

The story is now set afloat that it is a case of elopement and not of drowning. A man has been found who states positively that the parties are alive and well. Of course everybody will rejoice if the affair turns out a drama instead of a tragedy, and ends in a wedding feast instead of a funeral. But it scarcely seems credible that the young people, if alive, would fail to relieve the terrible anxiety of their friends, unless, indeed, they are too happy to think of anybody but themselves.

THE FIRST STATE CONVENTION.

The Republican State Convention meets at Saratoga to-morrow, and the "slate" for Governor will be put through without opposition. Ex-Senator WARNER MILLER is to be the nominee for Governor, and as it is a "harmony" ticket, favored by the anti-Miller factions, the nomination is probably the strongest that could be made on that side. For the Lieutenant-Governor's place there are many aspirants, and it is understood that the selection of the candidate is to be left to the Convention.

Mr. MILLER demands that "a radical high tariff plank" be placed in the platform, and his desire will doubtless be gratified. The High License policy was supported by the Republicans of the Senate and Assembly last session, with a few exceptions, and the principle is endorsed by a great many Democrats. In advocating a strong high tariff platform, Ex-Senator MILLER is evidently disposed to make a clear issue on the question against

Gov. HILL, who will probably be his antagonist in the contest.  
The Convention will be largely attended and promises to be an enthusiastic gathering.

The Etruria's captain showed scant courtesy to the enthusiastic friends of JACK KILRAIN, who went out on a tug to meet the incoming Etruria and capture the pugilistic hero. He positively refused to allow "any of that gang" to approach the steamer or to take JACK off, although "de boys" were armed with a Custom-House permit, a doctor of the Health Department and an officer. This will throw cold water on reception booms for distinguished travellers on their return. It will not, however, interfere with the reception awaiting our own CHANCEY. Mr. DREW's friends will receive more consideration than was extended to the devoted followers of JACK the bruiser.

The Giants continue to do splendid work and the chances that the pennant will come to New York increase. Our boys ought to get their presentation bats at once. It will encourage them to still greater efforts to carry off the prize and the glory.

The City of New York got to Queens town yesterday morning, one day, one hour and thirty-seven minutes behind the Umbria. The captain denies that it was a race. The Umbria, however, insists that it was. Of course.

Yesterday was a great day for Coney Island. If the present weather lasts the Coney Island hotels will continue to reap a harvest after the more distant summer resorts are deserted.

GOOD THINGS IN MARKET.

Flour, 8 cents.  
Rye, 10 cents.  
Striped bass, 10 cents.  
Clery, 15 cents a bunch.  
Smelts, 20 cents a pound.  
Caul flower, 10 to 15 cents.  
Mushrooms, 5 to 10 cents.  
Tomatoes, 5 cents a quart.  
Pine, 20 to 40 cents a dozen.  
Grapes, 10 to 20 cents a pound.  
Lemon, 25 cents a half peck.  
Lemon, twenty-five for 25 cents.  
Lettuce, three bunches for 10 cents.  
String beans, 15 cents a small measure.  
Sweet potatoes, 15 cents a small measure.  
Green corn, 15 cents a dozen; heat, 35 cents.  
Pears, 30 to 40 cents a dozen; \$1.50 to \$2.50 a basket.  
Peaches, 15 cents to \$1.50 a basket; 30 to 40 cents a dozen.

POLITICAL POINTS.

The announcement that President Cleveland has authorized \$10,000 for the legitimate expenses of the National Democratic Committee has given great satisfaction to Democrats.

Then it is said Secretary Wilson has shipped in \$10,000. Congressman Scott \$10,000 and Col. Cairns \$10,000. Alderman Patrick Dwyer has contributed \$100.

Cornelius N. Bliss, Chairman of the Republican State Committee, has returned from Europe. He is talked of as the Republican nominee for Mayor.

Tammany Hall will not take an army to the Buffalo Convention. The Wigwag pilgrims will not number more than 30.

Ex-Mayor Grace is no longer considered in the gubernatorial race.

It is now hinted that Ex-Mayor Grace has rented his office on Third street at the City Hall.

The County Democrats will renominate Abram S. Hewitt, should they fail to elect Tammany Hall. This would prevent Mr. Grace's renomination.

Ex-Sheriff James O'Brien is busy at Saratoga organizing a party. It promises to be a free-lance organization.

WORLDLINGS.

Five prominent Louisiana newspapers are owned and edited by women. The chief of them is the New Orleans Picayune, which is controlled by Mrs. E. J. Nicholson.

A colored woman in Atlanta, Ga., is the youngest of thirty-seven children, and although not yet thirty-eight years old, is herself the mother of twenty-eight children.

The official language of New Mexico is Spanish, which is used in the courts, and in the Council and Assembly. Legislative documents are carried on in Spanish and laws are framed in that language.

Cyrus Triplett, who died at the age of eighty-two years near Akron, O., recently had never been outside the limits of the county but once, and in all his lifetime rode only five miles on a railroad.

Admiral Porter, of the navy, is seventy-seven years of age and has lived for many years in Cuba. The secret of his wonderful preservation is he has lived plainly. He seldom craves tea or coffee, but is a moderate smoker. "Never get well" is a rule for preserving the health that he has strictly adhered to all his life. Even during his service in the war, it is said, he never got wet nor mowed hard in his rain.

Instantaneously the boys scampered away to Rahd's Tavern, leaving Jim to marvel at man's inhumanity to man." A. C. Mc.

DECEIVERS EVER.

Sheila (her first party)—Oh, Cleopatra, what do you think that lovely Count de Friske said to me? Cleopatra (with indifference)—And what did the lovely Count say to you? Sheila—Well, you know, after we had danced together five or six times he begged of me to give him one little bit from my bouquet, which he said he would treasure in a corner of his room for the rest of his life. Then he said something in French which I did not understand, but I remember it well. He said, "Cleopatra, what do you think he could have meant?" Cleopatra (with more indifference)—Nothing. He was a little more than a fool.

Where Death Came Suddenly.

Daniel Higgins, aged seventy-three years, was found dead in bed late last night at his residence, 50 Ninth avenue.

At 2 o'clock this morning Frederick Neuman, sixty years of age, was found dead in bed at her residence, 561 West Twenty-third street. The coroner has been notified and will investigate both cases.

Killed at His Work.

Henry Canfield, aged twenty-three years, while at work in the carriage factory at 150 East Thirtieth street, was instantly killed by the breaking of an empty wheel. His body was taken to the Morgue and the Coroner was notified.

WAITING FOR MORE JOKES.

MR. WILLIAM NTE, AFTER DIGESTING YESTERDAY'S MAIL.



A Great Danger Averted.  
"Unless you give me aid, I am a beggar to a benevolent lady. I am afraid I shall have to resort to something which I should greatly dislike to do." The lady handed him \$1 and compassionately asked: "What is it, poor man, that I saved you from?" "Well," was the mournful reply.  
HARRY MATYER, 200 East Seventieth street, New York, Aug. 21.

A Valuable Business Man.

"So you think you can dress a show window for the ladies with a stop and look at it, do you?" asked the manager of a dry-goods store of an applicant for work.  
"Yes, sir, I do."  
"Well, sir, what is the first thing you would do?"  
"I'd put a big mirror in the window and—"  
"That's enough, young man. We don't want you as an employee. We'll take you as a partner."  
331 Fifty-eighth street, city.

One on the Video.

Brennan, McCormick and Myers, the ward detective triumvirate of the Twelfth Precinct, were grouped at a corner in the district one night about three weeks ago when they were nervously approached by a sprig of an archer about 3 feet in height x 2 feet in width, who whistlingly inquired: "Are you 'tectives'?"

"Yes," replied McCormick for himself and speaking for Myers and Brennan, "and we're religious terrorists, too, and just came in on a cowboy train. What do you want of us?"

"Me fadder wants yer to take a man in wots makin' a racket in der house," answered the lad.

The Video trio learned from the boy where his father occupied and then sent him away. Together they visited the house of the alleged trouble. Arriving there they met a man at the street entrance and Myers asked: "Where that kid and who is making a racket in this house?"

"On the top floor, front," replied the man.

At \$1,200-a-year less wearily tramped to the apex of the building. Door of front room, top floor, was wide open. Man seated at a long table studiously at work finishing a tennis racket.

As for the boy—well, Messrs. B. McC. and M. have advertised for him for over a week, and promise to remunerate the deliverer liberally and "no questions asked."

C. R. F.  
449 East Houston street, city, Aug. 24.

Had Fun by a Theatrical Man.

George—Charles, old boy, do you know what play follows "The Queen's Mate" at the Broadway Theatre?

Charles—Yes, chaplain—Louis Aldrich in the "Kaffir Diamond."

George—Thanks, awfully; but if we're Aldrich we don't "Kaffir Diamond." A. A. Mc.

A Firebox's Chestnut.

Quizzical Jim Smith, the leather-strip manipulator of the steam apparatus of Elgin Company No. 11, was once night seated with a coterie of the boys in the neighborhood on the four-wheeled pavilion commonly known and recognized as a truck, and situated outside of the company's house.

Jim is famous for the many good and amusing stories he has told in his time, although a number of them are covered with a "black" coating. On this particular night Jim told a sterling story for "yarning," so he completely unwound himself and began:

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POSTMEN WIN AT LAST.

A Schedule Which Will Give Them the Full Benefit of the Eight-Hour Law.

According to official authority the letter-carriers of this city are to have the full benefit of the Eight-Hour law, recently passed Congress. This has been brought about after long and persistent effort on the part of the carriers and their friends, and they are consequently feeling much relieved.

Col. Bates, General Superintendent of the Free Delivery System of the United States Mail Service, has been in the city several days inquiring into the free delivery system, and it is said he has prepared a schedule whereby the carriers will be divided into three divisions, each of which is to be employed but eight hours a day, or one week, and each division will alternate so as to equalize the hours of labor, thus giving every man a fair and equal show.

It is also understood that in order to still further bring all hands under the provisions of the Eight-Hour law, additional carriers will soon be appointed and an appropriation made by the Post-Office Department to pay their salaries.

Postmaster-General Dickinson has written to Mr. Briggs, the timekeeper lately summarily discharged by Mr. Pearson, that he will inquire into the matter. Discharges are made in the Post-Office without any reason being given for the same, a notice being sent to the discharged person merely announcing that his services are no longer required.

THE PARK WILL SOON OPEN.

Arrangements for its lighting to be made to-morrow afternoon.

The gates of Stuyvesant Park will soon be left open in the evening, and the people living in that vicinity will have the opportunity to enjoy the park as it was meant they should.

Comptroller Myers is in town, and will be present at the special meeting of the Gas Commission which has been called for to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Mayor's office.

The meeting is called specially to consider the question of lighting Stuyvesant Park, and will undoubtedly result in a satisfactory arrangement for such lighting.

Then the plans for lighting will be carried out as soon as possible, and the park will be open for the recreation of people in the evening.

The privilege of enjoying the attractions of Stuyvesant Park in the evening will be fully appreciated by hundreds who will appreciate the efforts of THE EVENING WORLD in their behalf.

No one who has ever looked through the bars of the fence surrounding the park on a hot evening and observed how cool and refreshing it looked inside, but has wished he could get into the midst of the coolness, and now the opportunity will surely come.

ROBERT GARRETT IN RETREAT.

He is a Very Sick Man, but New Jersey Villa Life May Be Slim Good.

Robert Garrett has been safely and quietly removed from the Brevoort House and taken to the New Jersey retreat, which had been carefully prepared for his reception.

Mr. Garrett and his party went by carriage and special Erie train early yesterday morning to Ringwood, where carriages were again taken, this time to the old Miller villa, which was the final destination. The villa is a big Gothic structure built of stone and has for a long time been closed. It is near Mayor Hewitt's country seat and much of the preparation for Mr. Garrett's reception was under Mr. Hewitt's personal supervision.

On the way to the villa Mr. Garrett talked almost constantly and in a high rate of speed, owing to the newness of the machinery. One of the engines had to be stopped four hours on the 20th, and there were other stoppages, making a total of twenty hours.

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THE NEW YORK DIDN'T RACE.

Her Machinery Was New and Her Engines Stopped Twelve Hours.

At 7.10 A. M. yesterday, twenty-five hours and thirty-five minutes after the Umbria reached Queens town, the big new Inman steamer City of New York struggled into that port. The race was over and she was badly beaten.

Her engineer said she had not been put to her best efforts, as he had refused to allow the engines to run at a high rate of speed, owing to the newness of the machinery. One of the engines had to be stopped four hours on the 20th, and there were other stoppages, making a total of twenty hours.

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The One Thing Needed.

(From Park.)

That is what is written on a card which hangs up in a stand in the Sea Beach Palace at Coney Island.

Prof. A. E. Willis, proprietor of the stand, is a physiognomist, and if you are a sweet girl and want to attend his stand, you had better not try to fool him. As the card indicates, if you are a first, novel-reader or gum-chewer, there is no use of your answering their questions.

"For a girl is a flirt," argues Prof. Willis, "she will not attend to business. I have had experience with them all. I know that the first thing they do when they get to the stand is to look at the card and see if they are fit to be there. If they are not, they will not come back."

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FROM THE CITY'S WHIRL.

DRIFT CAUGHT HERE AND THERE BY "EVENING WORLD" REPORTERS.

You'll Be Surprised to Learn That the Landlord Has His Story.

Tenants, as a rule, always have fault to find with their landlords. A look is out of order, a door needs fixing, the range needs repairing or something else is the matter, and if the landlord doesn't have it attended to immediately, there is always more or less growing indignation.

An EVENING WORLD reporter, who heard the landlord's side of the story, came to the conclusion that if these self-same tenants knew what the landlord had to put up with they would not wonder if he was out of humor once in a while.

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cool air and comforted by a glass or two of lager, has lapsed into slumber.

A boy of about fifteen, who was not at all asleep, walked up to the dozing German and removed his watch, that it might not be a weight on his stomach and interfere with his nap.

At this moment Dennis Sullivan, proprietor of a saloon on Grand street and post-trader on Liberty Island, showed up, whacked the small boy and called a big policeman.

Herein I claim a big duty for you," said Dennis.

The "cop" walked over, and after a few reproachful words to the young thief, probably to the effect that he should not touch him by stealing watches on his post, walked off. So did the boy.

If he had arrested the boy he might have been in court against him, and perhaps have lost some hours of his time. Two men helped the German and his watch up the street.

FUN FOR AFTER DINNER.

Showing the Pottery Collection.

(From Harper's Bazar.)

Mrs. Marriwell, of Boston, to Uncle Ephraim, from Maine—Now I want to show you my pottery collection, Uncle Ephraim.

"Well, well, you have everything to dew with, Emmeline, I must say."

"Right in the matter—here it is—seventy large and handsome pieces. I have had them made by the best of the pottery artists."

"No serious results."

They stood beneath the stars, and silent as the heart beats of the night looked far away into the diamond-audited shir front of the sky.